

PRESIDENT : That does not seem to me to be a matter of public concern. I am afraid I cannot allow the question.

MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnathur*) : With regard to answer to part (c) may I know whether the Director of Public Instruction consulted the President of the public meeting during the enquiry?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Should I answer the question Sir?

PRESIDENT : You need not.

Committee on Educational Reforms.

59. **MR. C. P. THOMAS** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Chief Secretary to Government said in answer to an interpellation in the Council that the Government would decide the question of appointing an education committee before the close of the last school year (1926-1927) ;

(b) whether they have changed their opinion on the question and, if so, on what grounds ;

(c) whether they are aware that the question of educational reforms has been recently engaging the serious attention of the authorities in most provinces of India ; and

(d) whether they will make a definite statement about their present intentions on the matter ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (a) The statement made was that the Government hoped to come to a decision about the appointment of a committee or other agency to examine the system of education before the close of the last academic year.

(b) No.

(c) Yes.

(d) The member's attention is invited to the pronouncement made by the Dewan at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 6th August 1927 when the Education demand was discussed.

Educational Reform.

60. **MR. C. P. THOMAS** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state what stage they have reached in carrying out the promise made by them in the last Council to consider the question of educational reform in the State through a committee or other agency?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The matter is under the consideration of the Government.

Location of Courts at Pujappura.

61. **MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Ambalapuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether they propose to take or have taken any step towards locating the High Court or any other civil court at Pujappura ; and

(b) if there is any such idea, will they be pleased to afford an opportunity to this Council to express its views on the question ?